Amendments to the claims:

 (currently amended) A method for monitoring an injection device (5) for an internal combustion engine, <u>comprising the following steps:</u>

monitoring by a misfire detection of a cylinder of the internal combustion engine for misfiring;

detecting at least one of a mechanical malfunction and an electrical malfunction of an injection device by evaluating signals of the misfire detection; and

implementing as a response one of a check for electrical faults of an output stage and a limp-home mode depending on the malfunction that was detected wherein, by evaluating signals of a misfire detection, at least two malfunctions of an injection device are detected, and a response is implemented depending on the malfunction that was detected.

- 2. (original) The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein, by evaluating a fuel pressure, a check is carried out to determine whether there is a malfunction of the injection device.
- 3. (previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein, when a misfiring cylinder is detected and the fuel pressure has dropped below a threshold value, a mechanical malfunction of the injection device is detected.

- 4. (previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein, if cylinders (110) assigned to an output stage of the injection device (5) misfire, and the fuel pressure drops below a threshold value (SW), an electrical malfunction of the injection device (5) is detected.
- 5. (canceled)
- 6. (canceled)
- 7. (currently amended) A monitoring device of an injection device (5) of an internal combustion engine, with which a detection means detects signals of a misfire detection, wherein the misfire detection monitors a cylinder of the internal combustion engine for misfiring, wherein the monitoring device detects at least one of a mechanical malfunction and an electrical malfunction two malfunctions of the injection device by evaluating the signals of the misfire detection, and the monitoring device implements as a response one of a check for electrical faults of an output stage and a limp-home mode depending to the malfunction that was detected.
- 8. (previously presented) A computer program product with program code that is stored on a machine-readable data storage device for carrying out the method as recited in Claim 1 when the program is run on a computer or in an electronic control unit.